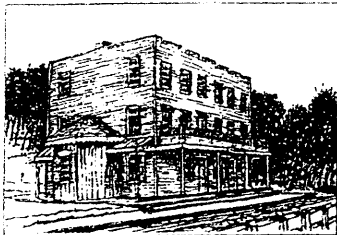
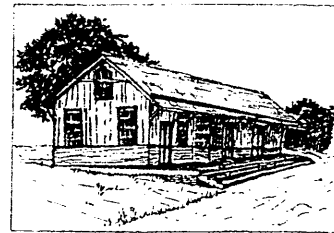


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Hanover Junction Train Station

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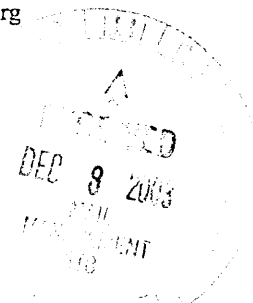


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December 1, 2003

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Surface Transportation Board
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ATTENTION: Troy Brady
Docket No. AB-167 (Sub-No. 1095X)



Dear Mr. Brady:

The Friends of the Heritage Rail Trail would like to express its support for the preservation of the Enola Branch rail line, also known as the Atglen-Susquehanna, and its historic bridges and other railroad structures.

Our group was formed in York County to welcome visitors to the Heritage Rail Trail, to serve as volunteer docents at the train stations in New Freedom and Hanover Junction, and to help promote the heritage of the Northern Central Railway. We are very proud of the historic railroad structures that the County of York has restored and preserved on the Heritage Rail Trail and feel they are assets to our county that make it unique. The railroad bridges, stations, and Howard Tunnel make the Heritage Rail Trail a wonderful place to visit.

We offer our support to the preservation of the Enola branch and to organizations such as the Friends of the Atglen-Susquehanna who share our interest in railroad history. We support the conversion of the Enola Branch into a rails-to-trails project.

Sincerely,

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